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Hello,

I wish to express my disdain for the proposed Microsoft Settlement in it's current form. This proposal amounts to a slap on the wrist and will not do anything to promote true competition in the desktop computer space. I believe the best solution would be to either split the company into two separate divisions (operating system and applications) or at minimum, mandate that the company provide versions of it's most popular programs (ie: Microsoft Office) on other competing platforms (ie: Mac OS and Linux) and insure that these competing versions provide unequivocal feature parity with the Windows version (ie: no advantage on one platform or another because of features available for one version as opposed to another, as well as be priced similarly. This will promote choice of platform and competition to Windows.

Thank you

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